STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed Bids addressed to the Maine Department of Transportation, Augusta, Maine 04333 and endorsed on the wrapper "Bids for Interstate Mowing, Region 1" will be received from contractors at the Reception Desk, Maine DOT Building, Child Street, Augusta, Maine, until 11:00 o'clock A.M. (prevailing time) on March 19, 2008, and at that time and place publicly opened and read. We now accept electronic bids for those bid packages posted on the bidx.com website. Electronic bids do not have to be accompanied by paper bids. Please note: the Department will accept a facsimile of the bid bond; however, the original bid bond must then be received at the MDOT Contract Section within 72 hours of the bid opening. Until further notice, dual bids (one paper, one electronic) will be accepted, with the paper copy taking precedence.

Description: Maine State Maintenance Project No. 015130.00

Location: Region 1: I-295, Scarborough Connector, Turnpike Connector (South Portland), Topsham Connector, and US Route 1 (Brunswick to Bath)

Outline of Work: Mowing of inslopes and backslopes on Interstate and other controlled access highways.

Basis of Award will be low bid for mowing. Contractors are encouraged to bid on the litter pickup option; award of the litter pickup option will be determined after bid opening.

For general information regarding Bidding and Contracting procedures, contact Scott Bickford at (207)624-3430. Our webpage at http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/contractor_cons.php contains a copy of the schedule of items, Plan Holders List, written portions of bid amendments (not drawings), and bid results. For Projectspecific information fax all questions to Robert LaRoche, Project Manager at (207)624-3431. Questions received after 12:00 noon of Monday prior to bid date will not be answered. Bidders shall not contact any other Departmental staff for clarification of Contract provisions, and the Department will not be responsible for any interpretations so obtained. Hearing impaired persons may call the Telecommunication Device for the Deaf at (207)287-3392.

Plans, specifications and bid forms may be seen at the Maine DOT Building in Augusta, Maine. They may be purchased from the Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by cash, credit card (Visa/Mastercard) or check payable to Treasurer, State of Maine sent to Maine Department of Transportation, Attn.: Mailroom, 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016. They also may be purchased by telephone at (207)624-3536 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bid Book \$10 (\$13 by mail), Single Sheets \$2, payment in advance, all non-refundable.

Each Bid must be made upon blank forms provided by the Department.

If the bid for mowing is accepted and the total bid price is greater than \$100,000.00 performance and payment bonds each in the amount of 100% of the contract price will be required.

This Contract is subject to all applicable State and Federal Laws.

All work shall be governed by "State of Maine, Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002", price \$10 [\$13 by mail], and Standard Details, Revision of December 2002, price \$20 [\$25 by mail] Standard Detail updates can be found at:

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Augusta, Maine
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